Nevada City Nugget

COVERS RICHEST GOLD AREA IN CALIFORNIA

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From the Californian, March 15, 1848:
The Liberty of the Press consists in the right to publish the Truth, with good motives and for justifiable ends. — Alexander Hamilton

Thinking Out Loud

H. M. L.

Hardly anyone who has known Ben Bost, but will feel sorry that he must pay a severe penalty for selling stolen gold. By reputation he has been known as a highgrader for a generation, but eventnally John Law overtook him. Furthermore according to the agents who have been busy in tracing down sales of stolen gold to Uncle Sam's mint, the campaign to ensnare highgraders will be rigorously continued until this crime is stamped out.

Easy highgrading money has been, unquestionably, a boon to business in Nevada County. When the first arrests were made a year ago, the result was to close several highway resorts. The effect was even more vital than that. Sales of household goods, clothing and even groceries took an abrupt drop. Gold thieves found themselves suddenly without a market, or at least, they were too thoroughly scared to offer stolen gold for sale.

Just why there should ever have grown up in public sentiment any forgiveness of gold stealing, as being something better than horse stealing, car theft, or burglary, is hard to understand. The business of mining gold is suffiriently hazardous without being forced to pay tribute to thieves employed in mining. The stock holder who invests his money in mining, is entitled under any code, legal or moral, to the net profit that accrues, when occasionally it does accrue

Cattle thieves are given severe penalties, when convicted, burglars are generally treated to a long term in prison, footpads rarely escape the law's penalties. Yet in God-fearing mining communities public sentiment generally has been on the side of the gold thief. It is salutary lesson, therefore, that two gold thieves have lately been sentenced to considerable terms in Federal prison. The legal common denominator of all stealing is exactly the same. We may pity Ben Bost overtaken in his old age, but we must approve the enforcement of just laws, which make no distinction among thieves and thievery.

With little bites here and there the Nipponese are testing the character of democratic governments. A Japanese war ace zooms down and machine guns the British ambassador to China. A cocky Japanese lieutenant walks aboard a tug belonging to an American citizen hauls down the Stars and Stripes throws it overboard and makes off with the ship. This morning's dispatches state that Japanese pilots have bombed three British ships, one of them a warship, and wounded several British citizens. One ship was fired and run into the bank where it burned. Profuse apologies have followed the two first outrages and other "incidents," and this morning's bombing will probably be atoned for in a lavish outpouring of Japanese regret.

But there is a strong chance that sometime or other, these irresponsible Japanese military satraps will go just a little too far, and find themselves engaged in a first class war. The democracies are slow to anger and are inherently peace loving, but they are also self respecting and in the long run, repeated insult will lead to heavy handed reprisals.

Col. and Mrs. Lindbergh following two years residence in England, where they think life is safer for their two young sons, have slipped back to the United States to visit their many friends and relatives here. They have left their two children with relatives in England. We consider that the reasons which led two such splendid Americans to become expatriates, constitute a foul disgrace to American institutions. The blame lies equally upon a sensation mongering press, and upon governmental authorities, Federal and state, which failed to protect these citizens from the cracked and the criminal.

The average age of prisoners in California state institutions is 19. These young men are incarcerated in daily association with the perverted and the vicious. The Prison Board is asking for another prison in which to segregate the "mentally perverted, the crimanally insane and vicious, hardened criminals." Under the conditions, it would seem an imperative necessity.

Billie Roe injured his right leg Friday while playing football and it was quite painful over the week end.

Prizes Galore For Community Card Party Benefit Next Friday

Prizes galore will be awarded winners in the community card party that will be held next Friday evening in the auditorium of the new elementary school for the benefit of the Boy Scouts and the Camp Fire Girls. Mrs. L. B. Gregory and Mrs. E. T. Bonner, committee in charge of obtaining prizes, reports generous response to their appeal. Contributors of prizes for the even to date are as follows:

Dickerman's Drug Store, Plaza Garage, Bowman's Beauty Shop, Service Garage, Harris Drug Store, Nevada City Drug Store, Colley's Confectionery, The Style Shop, Mrs. Er. Rose, Hartung's, Kopp's Bakery, Forest Service, Mrs. Arthur Hoge, Sr., the Nevada City Nugget, Leiter's News Stand, and Penrose Grocery.

Tickets are on sale at the Nevada City Nugget, the Grass Valley Union, Harris Drug Store, Dickerman's Drug Store, The Nevada City Drug Store. Tickets are fifty cents each.

This is the first time the new grammar school auditorium has been thrown open to a big community card party and scores of people are taking advantage of the opportunity to see this beautiful new room, air conditioned and lighted according to modern standards.

The proceeds of the evening will be devoted to completing the addition to Seaman's lodge, which has been leased to the Boy Scouts, Camp Fire Girls and Cbs. There remains to be completed the floors, partitions and ceiling of the new addition.

GRASS VALLEY TO GIVE SANTA CLAUS WELCOME

Santa Claus, who has graciously responded to the Chamber of Commerce's invitation to meet the kiddies of Grass Valley will fly over this city in an airplane this evening about 7 o'clock, landing at the airport at 7:30. On landing Santa will be welcomed to Grass Valley by a special committee of citizens. Immediately afterward he will head a parade starting from Hills Flat. From there it will proceed west on Main street to Mill, south on Mill to Neal, thence to Church street, north to Main, then back to the Bank of America building on Mill street in Grass Valley.

Citizens of Nevada City are invited to attend this event.

Santa Claus will greet the kiddies in front of the Bank of America at the conclusion of the parade.

As an added feature of the Christmas festivities program there will be an amateur broadcast contest on Tuesday evening at 6:30 o'clock at the Bank of America corner. Other broadcasts will be given on the 7th, 10th, 14th and 17th of this month, with the final broadcast on Monday evening, December 20th. Amateurs who wish to take part in these broadcasts are requested to send or phone their names and addresses to the local Chamber of Commerce rooms.

Santa Claus particularly desires to have the kiddies write to him regarding what they desire for Christmas. He loves to get letters from the little ones and has made arrangements with the Grass Valley Chamber of Commerce to take care of them for him. Address letters to him and deposit them in the special mail box that has been installed in the Chamber of Commerce rooms, 219 West Main street, Grass Valley.

A large Christmas tree 30 feet high has been placed at the intersection of Main and Mill street, in Grass Valley. This tree has been beautifully decorated and is lighted at night by hundreds of colored lights which give it a most pleasing appearance.

On Monday evening, December 6, immediately following Santa Claus' greeting to the kiddies, the prize for the best window display by the local Grass Valley merchants will be awarded to the luck contestant. Judging will be done by the Business and Professional Women's Club of Nevada City.

Santa Claus will visit all the shops and stores of Grass Valley twice a week during the month—Wednesday and Saturday afternoons.

FIFTY THREE AT OLDER BOYS CONFERENCE

The older boys conference at the high school has an enrollment of 53 boys. Mr. Duckles was the director. Mrs. Libbey led the songs. The luncheon and dinner were served by Miss McKnight and her home economics class. Miss Petersen and the girls league gave a dance in the afternoon for the boys' enjoyment. The conference was a success and plans were discussed for a conference for next year.

JURY PANEL FOR 1938 TO REPORT ON DEC. 14

The 1938 jury panel for Nevada county has been drawn as follows:

Grass Valley Township—Arthur H. Emory, Richard E Clary, Russell L. Miller, Albert B. Adams, Thomas J. Hocking, Leland V. Michell, Florence M. Salisbury, Ruth Body, Joseph M. Dixon, Fred C. Morrison, Jack G. Sutherland, Frances C. Ford, Florence Meeker, Clarence R. Cunningham, Robert H. Potts, Ralph H. Cochrane, Rudolph M. Popp, Thomas A. Leary.

Meadow Lake Township — Dick Moretto, L. B. Dundas, Karl Kielhoffer, Jonas Hirsch, Mrs. Tillie Smith, Julius F. Lichtenberger.

Rough and Ready Township— Elmer R. Schwartz, William Morris, George W. Erway, Lowell Elster.

Bridgeport Township — Neil Ennis.

Washington Township — Starling Ellis.

Nevada Township — Edward J. Fitzgerald, Charles Marsh Brown, William J. Treglown, Walter W. Nivens, Mary German, Oscar J. Odegaard, William D. Graham, Andrew J. Carey, Otto Schiffner, Mae Carr.

SCOUTS GATHER 200 XMAS TREES

The Boy Scouts of Troops 6 and 24 secured approximately 200 silver tipped fir trees last Saturday. The boys went to a section of the forest reserve above Graniteville. After receiving instruction from the rangers on how to select the proper trees and the method of cutting them, they felled and loaded the trees on a Nevada County Lumber company truck.

The work was laborious. Large trees were dragged many blocks over the snow, and the boys were exhausted when the cutting and loading was completed.

Scouts Bob Farmer, Leland Smith, Dick Gregory, Gino Benuzzi, Joe Widauf, Ray Sowden, Vincent Lewis and Scoutmaster W. Leslie appreciated a goods night's rest that evening.

The trees will be placed on sale the latter part of this week in the lot next to the Alpha store. There is a large variety in sizes, ranging from three to thirty feet.

BIRTHDAYS!!

Send a Greeting to Your Friends..

December 7
MISS MINNIE BRAND
Sacramento
December 8
LENARE GRENFELL
DICK JAMES
Lost Hill
December 9
MARIA KNUDSON
December 11
PAUL PHARISS
December 13
DOLLY JEFFERSON
KATHERINE WILLIAMSON

Happy Birthday

AUTO CLUBS ASK CHANGE IN STATE HIGHWAY BOARD

Broad changes in organization, authority and duties of the highway commission are to be sought through a constitutional amendment sponsored by the California State Automobile Association and the Automobile Club of Southern California it was announced today.

The proposed amendment, it was stated, will be placed on the ballot for the general election next November as an initiative measure, with the following principal provisions:

1. A ful time salaried highway commission of five members in complete charge of state highway affairs, including not only construction, maintenance and allocation of funds, but also law enforcement and promotion of traffic safety on the highways.

2. Transfer of the California highway patrol from the Department of Motor Vehicles to the new highway commission.

In many important respects the proposed new highway commission would occupy a pposition comparable to that of the Railroad Commission, declared the announcement.

A statement setting forth the plan of the automobile clubs was issued jointly by H. J. Brunnier of San Francisco and Henry W. Keller of Los Angeles. Brunnier is chairman of the highways committee of the California State Automobile Association. Keller is chairman of a similar committee of the Automobile Club of Southern California. The statement said, in part.

"The need for enlarging the functions of the hihgway commission is clear and to that end a reorganization of the commission is necessary.

"The proposed amendment would provide a continuity of highway administrative policies. At present the entire highway commission serves at the pleasure of the governor.

"Highway affairs should be as far possible from political influences. The amendment provides for the appointment of highway commissioners by the governor, subject to confirmation by the state senate, for ten year terms, so arranged as to have one of the five terms expire every two years. This would remove the commission from control of any one administration.

"Provision is to be made that commissioners shall have the proper training and experience for the office, and that not more than three shall be of the same political party. They could be removed from office prior to expiration of their terms only by a two-thirds vote of the state senate.

"At present the office of highway commissioner is largely an honorary one, carrying no salary. Duties of the commission are mainly the allocation of funds and location of the routes. When this is done, the Department of Public Works carries on. Under the new plan the Department of Public Works will relinquish to the highway commission all highway and related functions.

"With all highway affairs concentrated in the hands of th new highway commission, undesirable division of authority and duplication of duties, and the various weaknesses of the existing system would be eliminated.

"Transfer of jurisdiction over the highway ppatrol to the new highway commission is most logical. Among the duties prescribed by the amendment for the new commission are analyses of accident causes, safety education and enforcement of motor vehicle laws on the highways. There is a direct and close relation between building safety into highways and policing the highways for for the safe movement of traffic.

"Engineers and attorneys of the two clubs will immediately confer with state and national authorities in an effort to make the plan of administering highway affairs in California a model for the entire nation."

ROOF FIRE

CAMPTONVILLE, Dec. 6.—Constable John Jaynes almost was without a home Thursday when his house at the Jaynes ranch took fire. A spark from the chimney lit on the roof and ignited it Fortunately the family was home and soon discovered the fire which they put out with the garden hose. It burned a hole about four feet square on the roof.

State and Federal Police In Drive To End Highgrading

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 6.—The San Francisco Chronicle says: State and Federal officers drove yesterday toward the end of the romantic story of the highgraders, hoping for the first time to stamp out a racket that takes $750,000 in gold a year and which has claimed millions since the days of '49.

Secret operatives throughout the Mother Lode country are working to close cases against rings that are assertedly stealing thousands of dollars worth of gold from mines, large and small, and Federal indictments are expected within a few weeks it was learned.

Using the Federal gold reserve act as their chief weapon, Secret Service agents of the Treasury and investigators for the State Division of Mines are working in close collaboration with the doom of the high grader forecast.

The conviction and sentencing Friday of Ben A. Bost, 72 year old Nevada City gold buyer, who has operated 20 years in the Mother Lode, is but a chapter in the great drive, officials disclosed.

Huge thefts are perpetrated through closely knit rings of miners, grinders, collectors and buyers, operating on an extensive scale in many sections of the Sierra, according to Walter Bradley, head of the State Mining Bureau.

In one haul, a ring was known to have taken $15,000 out of a mine at a single time. it was declared.

Many California mines, Bradley said, have small veins of ore that are very rich.

Such ore is ideal for the highgrader. He "cobs" it down in the mine—that is pounds out the surplus quartz and reduces the ore to as pure gold as possible. Sometimes he will use a small length of pipe for the "cobbing." The gold is then cached and often another worker will pick it up. Men who make frequent trips into the mines, such as mechanics and skip tenders, often are used as the "mules."

RICH HAUL SEEN

In view of the fact that a bar of pure gold worth $35,000 weighs 84 pounds the possibilities of rich hauls are great.

Sometimes the men put the pounded ore into their mouths and can carry out $20 worth that way. Again they will mix it with their tobacco or put it in an empty watch case.

Normally the loot is taken to a grinder—and there are many illicit mills scattered around the county—who extracts the remaining quartz.

If he is operating on his own, he charges the miner 5 per cent of the value for grinding and then buys the gold. He also keeps the concentrates, that is the left over, which have a value of possibly $1 a pound. That is his extra profit.

The grinder may sell then to a collector, who turns it over to the final buyer, who ships it to the mint.

All transactions ahe made at gradually increasing prices.

At the mint, however, the shipper must sign an affidavit as to the source of the gold.

Sometimes they will pretend to own a mine. Again they will say they bought it from other men, using fictitious names.

The state mine inspectors to work whenever there is a doubt.

Days and weeks of checking may follow. Men will hide in the hills watching a mine that has reported a rich shipment. The number of men working and the hours they are in the mine will be recorded. When another shipment comes into the mint purportedly from that mine the officials will be in a position definitely to disprove the assertion.

In the event fictitious names are used as the original sources of the gold, equally long and tedious work is required to check them.

In a case now pending an outside officer acted as go between. A collector sold him $1600 in gold and later was told to come back with "all he had." He brought $5200 to a Marysville hotel room that had been tapped for hearing by agents in an adjoining room. The gold was confiscated and the collector jailed.

SECOND NEVADA CO. HIGHGRADER SENT TO JAIL

Ben Bost of Nevada City on Friday in San Francisco was fined $5,000 and sentenced to five years in Federal prison on conviction of falsifying gold purchas affidavits. Federal Judge St. Sure declared that he had been ready to grant probation but that the probation report forced him instead to impose fine and sentence. This is the second Nevada County conviction. Bill Moulton of French Corral was sentenced to McNeil Island several months ago.

Sheriff Lucot of Amador county writing to the probation officer stated that in 1921, $45,000 worth of gold had disappeared from the Argonaut mine and shortly thereafter $14,000 0of gold was sold by Bost to a Nevada City bank which he claimed he had purchased from two British Columbia prospectors who failed to register. Bost's record of half cetury in the gold buying business was against him.

CLAUDE CLARK WILL ADDRESS ROTARY CLUB

Claude Clarke, vice president of the California Hydrauloc Miners association, will be the speaker next Thursday noon at the meeting of the Rotary club at luncheon. Mr. Clarke for several years has been in charge of Relief Hill, one of the historic placer mines of the county.

CAMPTONVILLE

CAMPTONVILLE, Dec. 6.—Mrs. Irene Olson returned Friday from a visit with her mother at North San Juan.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Arnett left Thursday for Oakland where they will spend the winter months, expecting to return here early in the spring.

W. F. Waterman has moved from the Cold Spring service station to North San Juan.

Hector McNeil of Grass Valley was in town Friday visiting his old home.

Julius E. Pauly left Saturday for Sacramento to take part in the Shriners ceremonial this week end at the capital city.

Mr. and Mrs. Erle Pauly arrived Friday night from Oakland on a week end visit to their old home.

Merle Butz took a truck load of lumber to Alleghany Friday.

MURCHIE MINER DIES OF INJURIES

Roy Hurd, of this city was fatally injured at 12:30 Saturday morning after working five hours of his first shift at the Murchie mine. He died last night.

Fellow workers rushed to his assistance when the fall of rock from the hanging wall on the 1800 foot level occurred. His condition was so serious it was necessary to call a doctor to give first aid and Dr. Geo. Foster of Grass Valley was summoned. Hurd was taken to Jones Memorial hospital in Grass Valley. It was found he suffered a crushed vertebre which produced a back fracture and internal injuries.

He resided with his sister in law, Mrs. Fred Bagshaw, on Piety Hill in this city. Mr. Hurd leaves a wife in Washington state. She has been summoned but did arrive in time to see him before he passed away. Funeral arrangements and other details will be attended to upon her arrival.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

The A basketball team for girls at the high school has chosen squad captins: Ruth Godfrey, Vella Flindt, and Edna Doolittle. The teams were selected and interclass games were planned.

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"War Is Fun"

"War is a fine sport!" announces Vittorio Mussolini, son of Italy's chieftian, in the recently published account of his adventures flying over the Ethiopian mountains in a bombing plane.

"War," says young Mussolini, "is a sport that is most beautiful. Everything is fun."

However, there were other participants in the Ethiopian war besides the dictator's youthful son. There were the Ethiopion cavalry units, some of whom may have escaped the loads of explosive bombs dropped upon them from the skies by fun-loving Vittorio. One of them could doubtless file an effective brief setting forth the case for the negative.

Nor could war be considered fun for the thousands of Bilbao's homeless children, nor for the thousands of horror-stricken Chinese refugeees seeking to escape the pleasures of war a few weeks ago by stampeding, like mad beasts, to reach the safety of the International Settlement.

And though the small, powerful military clique now holding Japan in a vise-like grip may also argue that war is wholesome sport for all worthy descendants of the samurai, they speak for only a small part of the nation. In thousands of Japanese homes where Field Marshal Death has struck, no sorrowing Japanese mother can be found who will agree "War is fine sport!"

We have no doubt that blunt-speaking Second Lt. Mussolini thought war was fun. We have no doubt, either, but that most Americans will feel the joke—and not a very funny one—is on him!!—Contributed.

Mending Market Baskets

Remedy number five—a housing boom—added to the special session's legislative program last week, may yet prove to be one of the best remedies thus far taken out of the government medicine cabinet.

If, as it has been reliably estimated, a full revival of residential construction would directly boost the country's business by $2,500,000,000 annually, then Remedy number five might indeed help to make short shift of that groggy feeling in the knees which has smitten business.

But lack of a housing boom hasn't been the only obstacle to recovery. Another vital factor, described by Hale Holden, Southern Pacific's chairman, is the railroad's critical condition. In this statement, made before the I. C. C. he has the support of many economists. They strongly urge that a full revival of railroad purchasing power, with railroads ready, willing and able to go to the nation's markets for one billion dollars' worth of good annually, would be a tremendously stimulating factor toward recovery.

That one billion dollars in potential buying power carried by the rails has always packed a particularly impressive wallop. Past experience has shown that when they were meeting expenses, purchasing needed equipment and materials—everything from coal and timber to eggs and lamb chops—unemployment has decreased, other industries have prospered, and national income has increased.

As Mr. Holden made clear, railroads have been confronted with the disagreeable choice of curtailing service and discharging employees, or seeking rate increases. Rather than start an epidemic of retrenchments, they've chosen the latter way of mending their billion dollar market basket.

Those direct increases of $3,500,000,000 in only two important industries, housing and railroads, might well change the business trend from downward to upward and help America toward complete recovery.—Contributed.

C. I. O. MENACE TO P. G. E., THREAT STATE BUSINESS

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 6.—The outcome of the National Labor Relations Board election December 6 to 14, to determine whether P. G. & E. employees want as their bargaining agent the independent California Gas and Electric Employees Union or the CIO, will vitally affect every individual and industry and newspaper in northern and central California, according to H. E. Brillhart, director of activities for the C. G. & E. E. union. He said there is a wide spread feeling among P. G. & E. employees that the CIO is more interested in getting control of their striking power, than in bargaining for satisfactory working agreements.

"CIO control of the P. G. & E. bargaining agency would place their radical leaders in a position to order sitdowns or other outlaw strikes, which could paralyze the entire P. G. & E. system," Brillhart said.

"That such strikes have already been discussed was admitted by the CIO's district organizer, R. L. Shippey, when he was testifying under oath at the NLRB hearings in San Francisco last July," Brillhart continued. "Shippey also admitted that the locals had voted the power to call a strike to the District Council, so that all workers could be called out at the same time. This means that the rank and file of P. G. & E. employees would have no voice, and could even be ordered out on a sympathy strike at the whim of CIO leaders who might need help to win a fight elsewhere.

"The possibilities of this situation are a worse menace to California business than any 'inland march' of longshoremen. Its potentialties, in fact, are graver than the San Francisco general strike of 1934, because pulling the switches on the P. G. & E. system would be a ppublic catastrophe affecting well over three million people in a thousand cities and towns in forty six California counties.

"Even newspaper presses would stop. That is why the CG & EE Union i susing every effort to win this labor board election, and be designated as sole bargaining agent for P. G. & E. employees. We do not want to be told by Harry Bridges or John L. Lewis that we have to strike whether we want to or not In direct contrast to CIO methods, we will seek first a collective bargaining agreement with the company to cover all questions affecting wages, hours, and working conditions, and to present all grievances that may arise. If our negotiating committee and the company heads cannot agree, the next step will be mediation. It is inconceivable that negotiation and arbitration would both fail, but if they do, we then have the legal right to strike, but our by-laws require a three quarters vote of our members to authorize a strike.

"As soon as the Wagner Act was upheld we incorporated as a token of the responsibility we feel. Our membership rolls include about 5400 P. G. & E. employees. However, the Labor Board is confining this election to the outside or physical forces. This means that about 7000 employees out of 10,000 will be qualified to vote. The Labor Board will declare as winner the union receiving a majority of the votes cast. We are confident of victory, but are leaving no stone unturned in our efforts to get our fellow workers to vote for the CG & EE Union.

"Our determined opposition to CIO control of our labor relations is based first, on our belief that we can obtain our just demands through peaceful collective bargaining, and second, our dislike of the possibility of turning the P. G. & E. system into a chain of madhouses surrounded by picket lines, with the accompanying violence characteristic of CIO methods.

"We want to work out our labor relations without hoodlumism."

MRS. JESSIE HISCOX TO REST IN PINE GROVE

Mrs. Jessie L. Hiscox passed away Saturday evening in Sacramento after an extended illness.

Mrs. Hiscox, born in Nova Scotia in 1868 came to California as a young girl and spent most of her life in Nevada City.

Deceased is survived by two sons Earl Hiscox and Lloyd A. Hiscox and a daughter Mrs. Irma Atkins. Also surviving her are the following brothers and sisters: Willia Frazer of Grass Valley; James A Frazer of Mooney Flat; Daniel Frazer of Wheatland, Mrs. John Magonigal and Mrs. Mary Wheaton of Smartsville.

Funeral services will be held in Grass Valley tomorrow morning at 10 a. m. interment will be in Pine Grove cemetery in Nevada City. Pall bearers will be Antone Costa, Al Huson, Carl Tobiassen, Merton Douglas, Fred Peterson and Ed Piper.

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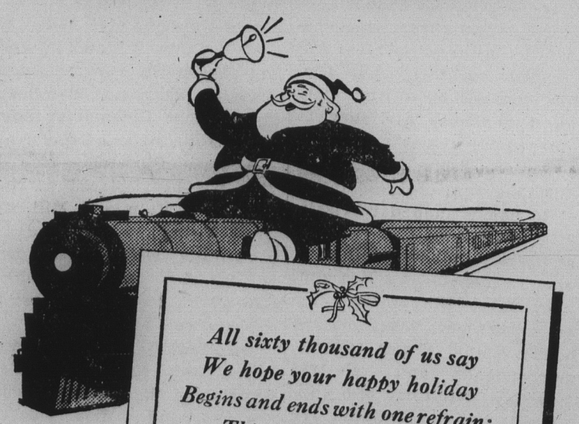

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'HIGH, WIDE AND HANDSOME' FILM DRAMA COMING

A romance flavored by the music of Jerome Kern, set in the colorful period of the middle 1800's in Pennsylvania is the theme of "High, Wide and Handsome,, which comes to the Nevada Theatre, Thursday night.

Book and lyrics were written by Oscar Hammerstein II, and the film was directed by Rouben Mamoulian.

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Berthel B. Berthelson, superintendent of the Zeibright mine since last September passed away in San Francisco Saturday afternoon after an illness of several weeks. Deceased had been a patient at Jones Memorial hospital in Grass Valley and was taken to a San Francisco hospital to be under the care of a specialist.

Mr. Berthelson was a native of Sweden 42 years old coming to the United States in 1921. He was a graduate of the University of Stockholm. He is survived by his wife Gladys. Funeral services were held in Berkeley Sunday evening under the auspices of Crocket Lodge No. 139, F. & A. M.

FORMER CITIZEN OF CAMPTONVILLE DEAD

CAMPTONVILLE, Dec. 6—News was received here a few days ago of the death of Alvin C. Gage, an early day resident of this place. Death took place at Portland, Oregon, where Gage published the Spectator and the Angora Journal, a magazine on goats.

Deceased spent the early days of his life in this community. His father Rev. Gage was a minister and school teacher, having taught the local school for many years. He was here on a brief visit a year and a half ago renewing old friendships.

WRECK ON GOLD FLAT ROAD

Cars driven by Carlo Bartelo and Dick James figured in a wreck on the Gold Flat road south of Nevada City last evening between six and seven o'clock. So far as ascertained no one was hurt. The sheriff's office was notified and made an examination. The Star touring car of Bartelo is badly wrecked while the car driven by James received damaged fenders. The latter car left the road, went over the bank and into the Deschwanden field where it was stopped by two logs after traveling about 250 feet. Deputy Sheriff Carl Larsen stated there was a license number on the latter car but nothing else to indicate who owned the machine. Young James had left the scene of the accident before the officers arrived.

OLD THOMAS KIRKHAM PROPERTY

The old Thomas T. Kirkham or Native Son mining property six miles north of Nevada City toward North Bloomfield has been bonded to eastern capitalists and within the last few days the company started dumping machinery on the ground. Plans are to get started as soon as possible and it is understood work will be underway in a month. The 320 acre property is on the South Yuba river and the deep canyon will make steep climbing to get to the workings which no doubt will have a road constructed to it. It is stated Dent on and Ralph Kirkham, sons of the late Thomas Kirkham, will have an interest in the operations.

PASSING OF MRS. JERRY RUKAVINA

Mrs. Jerry Rukavina, a native of Austria, aged 53 assed away at her home on Sacramento street, Saturday night. Deceased had lived in the United States 35 years and in Nevada City for the past three and a half years. She leaves two sons, Milan Shuper of Sonora and Jack Shuper of Silver City, New Mexico. Funeral arrangements are awaiting the arrival of Jack Shuper from New Mexico.

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The Rebekah lodge sewing club had a most enjoyable time at their last meeting at the home of Mrs. Minnie Sandow on Tribulation Trail. Ten members were present to spend several hours sewing. Dainty refreshments were served. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs Bessie Treglown Wednesday, December 15.

Mrs. O. E. Betcher, who lives near Pine Rock auto court northeast of this city, is confined to her home with a severe attack of influenza.

NATIONAL HOTEL GUESTS

The following guests are registered at the National Hotel:

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LEGAL NOTICES

No. 6955.
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF NEVADA.

Action brought in the Superior Court of the State of California in and for the County of Nevada, and the Complaint filed in the office of Clerk of said County of Nevada.

LEONARD J. EICKHOFF, Plaintiff vs. GLORIA EICKHOFF, Defendant.

HARRY M. McKEE, Attorney for Plaintiff.

The People of the State of California Send Greetings to Gloria Eickhoff, Defendant:

YOU ARE HEREBY DIRECTED TO APPEAR, and answer the complaint in an action entitled as above, brought against you in the Superior Court of the State of California in and for the County of Nevada within ten days after the service on you of this Summons—if served within this county; or within thirty days if served elsewhere.

And you are hereby notified that unless you appear and answer as above required, the said Plaintiff will take judgment for any money or damages demanded in the Complaint, as arising upon contract, or he will apply to the Court for any other relief demanded in the Complaint.

Given under my hand and seal of the Superior Court of the State of California in and for the County of Nevada, this 24th day of November A. D. 1937.

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Social Events

Miss Carmen Cassano Celebrates Birthday

CAMPTONVILLE, Dec. 5.—Miss Carmen Cassano celebrated her birthday Wednesday evening at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Julius A. Cassano on the Yuba Pass highway near here. Her classmates were the invited guests and the evening was spent in playing games. Refreshments of sandwiches, cake and punch were served.

The following were in attendance: Misses Dolores Ann Bishop, Barbara Ramm, Francis Cassano, Leland Pauly, David Church, Bobby Cassano and Carmen Cassano.

Camptonville Woman's Club to Hold Card Party

CAMPTONVILLE, Dec. 6.—The Womens Club met Thursday evening in the rear room of the local Masonic hall. They decided to hold a public card party on the 11th of this month at which time they will held the drawing for a large quilt. Mrs. Grace Pauly won the prize of the evening. Some discussion followed relative to renting the upper story of the Mayo building in which to hold their meetings and card parties.

This being the December meeting the room was decorated with a small Christmas tree of the table. Refreshments of pumpkin pie and coffee were served. The members exchanged Christmas gifts. Mrs. Louisa Price and Mrs. Constance Potter were hostesses for this meeting.

COLORED LIGHTS IN STREETS HERALD XMAS

Electric lights strung by the P. G. & E. company today will give a holiday glow to the business district of Nevada City this evening. The colored lights are strung on Broad, Main and Commercial streets and at the Plaza and the city will now have a true holiday atmosphere.

ACCUSED OF PETTY THEFT

Bill Volmer of Grass Valley, 22 years old, was arrested yesterday and accused of stealing radiator and gas tank caps. He was arraigned this afternoon before Judge Morehouse, justice of the peace in Grass Valley.

ELKS MEMORIAL TO ABSENT BROTHERS

Last evening at eight o'clock the Nevada City and Grass Valley lodge of Elks jointly held their annual Lodge of Sorrow in memory of departed members. The services were held in the Nevada City lodge rooms with beautiful musical numbers and the ritualistic ceremony. The musical numbers included: Funeral March (Chopin); Marshall W .Giselman. Vocal Solo: Mrs. Frank R. Shearer, "Requiem." Piano Solo: Marshall W. Giselman.

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A. A. U. W. MEETS AT BRET HARTE INN WED.

The December meeting of the Nevada County unit of the American Association of University Women will be held Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock at the service club room of the Bret Harte Inn with all Grass Valley and Nevada City members cordially invited to attend.

The early business section of the meeting will be in charge of Mrs. Don Dillick, president of the unit, while Miss Dorthy Robertson, as program chairman will present Mrs. Elsie Schwartz, instructor of the Grass Valley public schools, who will speak on her recent summer trip to Mexico, during which she attended the University of Mexico Summer school.

MODERNISTIC CLOCK FOR THE COURTHOUSE

Men are expected to come up from San Francisco this evening to put up a six foot modern design, cream and blue enamel electric, neon clock in the facade of the county court house tomorrow. The men were expected today but failed to show up.

The brown center circle will have a green glow of lights under the curved edge and the next two cream circles will have tiny red and blue electric lights. Blue arrows on the circle cut the 12 hours in quarters.

EVERGREEN DECORATION

State Ranger Will F. Sharp is cutting evergreen trees for decorations about the city and the city has furnished a truck. These trees will be placed at posts and poles in the business district this week to add to the holiday cheer.

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Personal

The many friends of Mrs. Karl Kopp will be pleased to learn that she is very much improved from a heart attack she suffeed Saturday. She has not been feeling so well for about two weeks but with rest and care a complete recovery is anticipated Her daughter, Mrs Joe Ceresseto, of Oakland came up and is with her mother.

Mr and Mrs. Roy Wagner and three children of Alleghany were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Johnson of Park avenue.

Miss Frances Savio of San Jose has come to this city to make her home with her father, Louis Savio. She entered the local high school and is delgihted with her new home.

Mrs. Jewel Rice Choate and baby daughter, Patricia, of Notus, Idaho, are visiting Mrs. Choate's sister, Mrs. Will Buffington and family. Mrs. Choate will remain until after Christmas.

Mrs. Ernest Brisebill, Sr., who lives northeast of Nevada City, has somewhat recovered from a severe attack of flu still remains quite ill at her home.

Mrs. Gregory Allen of Victoria, British Columbia, has arrived in Nevada City for a visit with her brother, Herbert Foreman, and family. Mr. Foreman, who broke his ankle while at work several days ago, is making a steady recovery.

J. V. Hubbard and Donald Bosworth left Saturday evening for San Francisco where they spent the week end and will return home today.

WINS SCHOLARSHIP PRIZE

Lily Netz, who is taking a commercial course at Mt. St. Mary's, has won a $50 scholarship prize in drawing. The award was made by the Federal School of Commercial Designing of Minneapolis.

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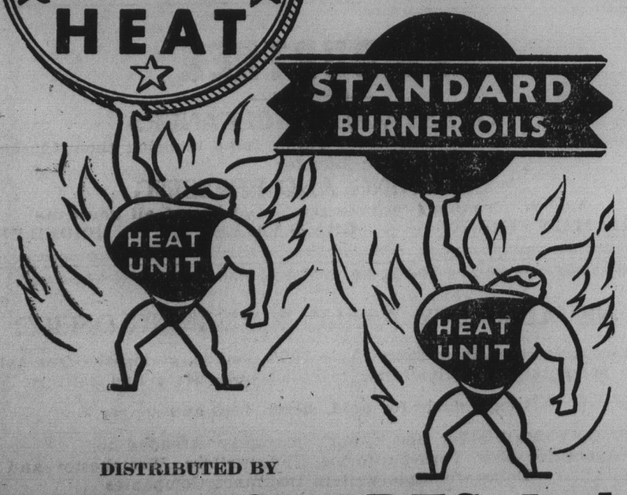

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